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MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: by CHAIRMAN DENNIS HIMMELBERGER, on January 7, 2009 at 8:10 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Dennis Himmelberger, Chairman (R)

Rep. Sue Dickenson, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Jesse O'Hara, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Russell Bean (R)

Rep. Tony Belcourt (D)

Rep. Joel Boniek (R)

Rep. Dee Brown (R)

Rep. Mary Caferro (D)

Rep. Frosty Calf Boss Ribs (D)

Rep. Betsy Hands (D)

Rep. Gordon R. Hendrick (R)

Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)

Rep. Gary MacLaren (R)

Rep. Sue Malek (D)

Rep. Mike Phillips (D)

Rep. Kendall Van Dyk (D)

Rep. Ted Washburn (R)

Rep. Franke Wilmer (D)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch

Marshall McEwen, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: None Executive Action: None Committee Orientation

Chairmen Welcome:

00:00:24 Chairman Himmelberger 00:01:11 Rep. Dickenson 00:02:34 Chairman Himmelberger 00:02:39 Rep. O'Hara 00:03:13 Chairman Himmelberger 00:03:36 Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Services Division 00:04:22 Chairman Himmelberger

Committee Orientation:

00:08:00 Chairman Himmelberger 00:09:59 Rep. Wilmer 00:11:01 Rep. Boniek 00:11:32 Rep. Van dyk 00:12:38 Rep. Washburn 00:13:04 Rep. Malek 00:13:37 Rep. MacLaren 00:14:22 Rep. Bean 00:15:04 Rep. Dickenson 00:15:33 Rep. Belcourt 00:16:06 Rep. O'Hara 00:17:04 Rep. Caferro 00:17:34 Chairman Himmelberger 00:17:40 Rep. Ingraham 00:18:35 Rep. Boss Ribs 00:19:03 Rep. Brown 00:19:46 Rep. Hands 00:20:41 Rep. Hendrick 00:22:47 Rep. Phillips 00:23:09 Marshall McEwen, Secretary 00:23:42 Ms. Heffelfinger EXHIBIT (sth03a01) 00:32:08 Chairman Himmelberger 00:32:53 Rep. Phillips 00:32:57 Chairman Himmelberger 00:33:47 Rep. Brown 00:34:02 Ms. Heffelfinger 00:34:44 Rep. Brown 00:34:56 Chairman Himmelberger 00:35:00 Mr. McEwen 00:36:57 Chairman Himmelberger 00:36:57 Rep. MacLaren 00:37:03 Chairman Himmelberger 00:37:49 Ms. Heffelfinger 00:38:08 Chairman Himmelberger 00:38:46 Rep. Van Dyk

00:38:51 Chairman Himmelberger

00:39:27 Rep. Boniek

00:39:42 Rep. Washburn
00:39:56 Rep. Dickenson
00:40:19 Chairman Himmelberger
00:40:28 Rep. Hendrick
00:40:31 Chairman Himmelberger
00:41:00 Rep. Ingraham
00:41:41 Chairman Himmelberger
00:42:10 Chairman Himmelberger
00:43:24 Rep. Wilmer
00:43:49 Chairman Himmelberger
00:44:00 Committee takes a break
00:55:00 Committee reconvenes

State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee:

00:55:34 Dave Bohyer, Research Director, Legislative Services Division

EXHIBIT (sth03a02)

01:09:26 Chairman Himmelberger

00:55:06 Chairman Himmelberger

- 01:09:30 Rep. Brown
- 01:10:00 Mr. Bohyer
- 01:10:41 Rep. Brown
- 01:10:49 Chairman Himmelberger
- 01:10:58 Mr. Bohyer
- 01:11:05 Chairman Himmelberger
- 01:11:17 Rep. Wilmer
- 01:11:47 Rep. Brown
- 01:12:24 Chairman Himmelberger

Secretary of State's Office:

01:12:33 Linda McCulloch, Secretary of State

EXHIBIT (sth03a03)

- 01:17:56 Chairman Himmelberger
- 01:18:04 Rep. Malek
- 01:18:19 Ms. McCulloch
- 01:18:41 Jorge Quintana, Legal Counsel, Secretary of Stat's Office
- 01:19:27 Chairman Himmelberger
- 01:19:57 Ms. McCulloch
- 01:20:27 Chairman Himmelberger

Commissioner of Political Practices:

01:20:39 Dennis Unsworth, Commissioner of Political Practices 01:32:46 Chairman Himmelberger 01:32:50 Rep. Brown 01:33:09 Mr. Unsworth 01:35:19 Chairman Himmelberger 01:35:22 Rep. Dickenson 01:35:40 Mr. Unsworth 01:40:12 Chairman Himmelberger 01:40:36 Mr. Unsworth 01:40:46 Chairman Himmelberger 01:41:36 Mr. Unsworth 01:43:16 Chairman Himmelberger 01:43:21 Rep. MacLaren 01:43:32 Mr. Unsworth 01:45:27 Rep. MacLaren 01:45:33 Mr. Unsworth 01:47:10 Rep. Phillips 01:47:19 Mr. Unsworth 01:47:29 Rep. Brown 01:47:59 Mr. Unsworth 01:48:47 Rep. Brown 01:48:58 Mr. Unsworth 01:49:33 Rep. Ingraham 01:50:59 Mr. Unsworth 01:53:01 Rep. Malek 01:53:44 Mr. Unsworth 01:55:05 Rep. Phillips 01:55:30 Mr. Unsworth 01:58:03 Rep. Phillips 01:58:16 Rep. Wilmer 01:59:14 Chairman Himmelberger

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02:13:39 Chairman Himmelberger

ADJOURNMENT

02:13:46 Adjournment

REP. DENNIS HIMMELBERGER, Chairman

MARSHALL MCEWEN, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT (sth03aad.pdf)